GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5060
ANSWERED ON:27.08.2001
SARDAR SAROVAR PROJECT
CHANDRESH PATEL KORDIA

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Narmada Water Disputes Tribunal have directed the participant States to pay their shares on the Sardar Sarovar Project in the ratio of benefits accruing to them;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the State Governments to follow the said decision of the Tribunal and to pay the shares by the participating States;

(d) whether the Government of Gujarat has presented any memorandum to his ministry on the issue; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in the matter ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir, the Narmada Water Disputes Tribunal have directed the participant States to pay their shares on the Sardar Sarovar Project (SSP) in the ratio of benefits accruing to them. The share of cost of different components of SSP by the party States, as per Narmada Water Disputes Tribunal Award, are given below:

Units	Particulars	State-wise Distribution of costs (%)			
		Madhya Pradesh	Maharashtra	Gujarat	Rajasthan
Unit-1 Dam & Appurtenant Works	Irrigation (43.9%)	31.977	15.147	41.59	2.31
	Power (56.1%)	-	-	8.976	-
		31.977	15.147	50.566	2.31
Sub Total (100%)					
Unit –II Main Canal	Irrigation (100%)	-	88.977	11.02	3
Unit-III Hydropower Works	Power (100%)	57.00	27.00	16.00	
Group-IV Branches & Distributaries	Irrigation (100%)		100.00		

(c) The party States namely Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Rajasthan arepaying their due shares to Gujarat as per the decision of the Tribunal except on some of the disputed items such as resettlement and rehabilitation, interest on market borrowings etc. Owing

to paucity of funds, the party States are unable to provide funds and keep pace with the actual expenditure on the project.

(d) & (e) The Government of Gujarat has presented a memorandum to the Ministryof Water Resources on 26th October, 1999 wherein a request was made to the Union Minister of Water Resources to influenceand persuade the participating States for reimbursing their outstanding dues expeditiously. The Union Government has been impressing upon the threeparty States to make payment of their outstanding dues towards Sardar Sarovar Project to Government of Gujarat both at the Ministerial as well as official levels, from time to time. In the 8th & 9th meetings of the Review Committee of Narmada Control Authority underthe Chairmanship of Union Minister of Water Resourcesheld on 10th January, 2001 and 18th August, 2001 respectively also, the States have been impressed upon to clear their outstanding dues and measures have also been suggested to the State Governments to enablethem to cover their resource gap.